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Progress report for May 1950.

1. After the Egyptian Government's grudging renewal of *laissez-Passers* for FBID Albanian monitors, Albanian language coverage was resumed at the Mediterranean Bureau on 20 May 1950.

2. Expansion and improvement of FBID coverage of Indochina has resulted with the entrance on duty at Okinawa of the first of the monitors recently recruited in Indochina. However, emergency coverage will continue in Tokyo until the second recruit has arrived and demonstrated his ability.

3. At the request of ORR, a special report entitled "Preliminary Statement of Results of Quantitative Analysis of the Trend of 'Warmindedness' in Soviet Radio Propaganda During the Past Year," was prepared. A special report, "Some Station Characteristics of Asian Radios Formerly Monitored at Hawaii," was prepared and reproduced [redacted]

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4. The loss of considerable coverage of Moscow broadcasts to Japan arising from the indefinite hospitalization of the West Coast Bureau's Japanese monitor has been remedied by the temporary employment of a native Japanese monitor at the Tokyo Bureau.

5. Several prospective candidates for monitoring broadcasts in the Tibetan language have been located in Japan, and efforts are being made to employ the most suitable candidate for regular coverage of the new Peking broadcast to Tibet, a broadcast in which ORR and OIR, Dept. of State, have expressed considerable interest.

6. The new, combined edition of "Standard Broadcast Logographs" has been distributed to all Field Bureaus. The standardization of broadcast identifications in FBID publications will contribute substantially to the consistency, clarity and accuracy of the product.

7. Current, ideal allocation of Daily Report space, estimated with regard only to the comparative volume of significant material received in Washington, is as follows:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Words</u>
Far East	33,000
USSR/Roundup	20,000
Eastern Europe	17,000
Western Europe	13,000
Near East/Africa	10,000
Latin America	7,000
<b>CONFIDENTIAL</b> Total	100,000

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8. At the request of ORN and OSO a second sample "Survey of Far East Radio Broadcasts" has been prepared and is in process of reproduction.

9. At ORN request, a survey of USSR weather data for the purpose of crop estimates has been included in the weekly USSR and Satellite Information Abstracts.

10. The Table of Contents of the Far East Daily Report has been revised to list supplementary material under the country of reference.

11. A daily average of 15,000 words was filed to the EBC during May.

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